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Robert E. Moriarty, P.E., Director  
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Re: Record of Decision (ROD) – FT-002 / Industrial Area Groundwater Operable Unit  
Former Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Plattsburgh, New York

Dear Mr. Moriarty:

This is to inform you that after reviewing the Draft Final Record of Decision (ROD), responsiveness summary, and other supporting documents, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concurs with the Final ROD, dated September 2014, for the FT-002 / Industrial Area (IA) Groundwater Operable Unit (OU), located at the former Plattsburgh Air Force Base in Plattsburgh, New York. Therefore, on behalf of EPA, I have co-signed the ROD, a copy of which will be mailed directly to David Farnsworth at Plattsburgh AFB.

This ROD for the FT-002/IA Groundwater OU supplements the ROD signed in June 2003 for this OU. It documents the results of soil vapor intrusion (SVI) studies conducted at the FT-002/IA Groundwater OU since 2006, and calls for measures to address potential health risks related to SVI. These measures include institutional controls (ICs) that specifically address SVI, as well as the continued operation of soil vapor extraction (SVE) systems at three buildings.

Also included in the ROD are the revised ICs and updated IC language that replaces the IC language included in the June 2003 ROD. The updated IC language reflects negotiations held between the Department of Defense and EPA. Revision of the ICs is a result of discussions held between the Air Force, EPA, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, in part in response to the SVI studies conducted at the Base since 2006.

Additionally, the Final ROD documents modifications developed during design of the June 2003 remedy that were later implemented.

Please note this ROD addresses only the above-mentioned area of concern and that all other areas at the former Plattsburgh AFB are being or have been addressed under separate RODs and/or OUs.

If you have any questions regarding the subject of this letter, please contact me or have your staff contact Robert Morse of my staff at (212) 637-4331.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Walter E. Mugdan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Walter E. Mugdan, Director  
Emergency and Remedial Response Division

cc: Robert Schick, Director  
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